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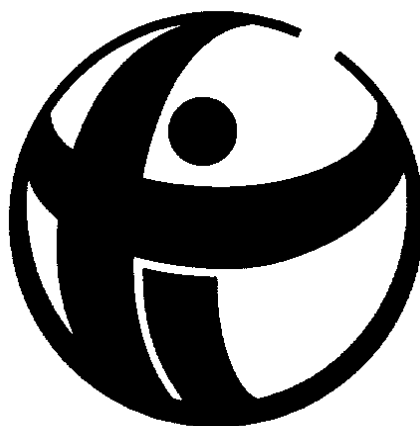
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CHAPTER ONE

INTRODUCTION

1.1 Introduction:

TIB has now entered the final phase of the National Integrity Program (NIP). A detailed work plan will be followed for the remaining three months of NIP. We have completed two of four components. These are

- ❑ Fact-Finding Exercise (FFE),
- ❑ National Integrity Workshops (NIWs).

We are now planning to complete the other two components which are:

- ❑ Committees of Concerned Citizens (CCCs),
- ❑ Advice and Information Center (AIC) and

During the period (July-September, 2002), the NIP team has achieved most of the targets as outlined in our previous quarterly report. Following is a summary of the third quarter, 2002.

1.2 Fact-Finding Exercise:

TIB has completed the FFE on three watchdog agencies. These are:

- ❑ Bureau of Anti-Corruption (BAC),
- ❑ Comptroller & Auditor General office (C & AG), and
- ❑ Public Accounts Committee (PAC).

TIB released the FFE report on BAC through a round-table discussion in the Oct-Dec 2001 quarter. TIB also released the FFE report on C & AG and PAC through a National Integrity Workshop on 21st September, 2002. TIB also presented two working papers on how to reform these two watchdog agencies. A proposed form of the Bangladesh Anti-Corruption Commission was also presented through the National Integrity Workshop on 22nd September, 2002. TIB is now preparing a draft bill on the form of a possible Bangladesh Anti- Corruption Commission to be raised in the Parliament.

1.3 Committee of Concerned Citizens:

All CCCs have conducted a number of activities in this quarter (July-September, 2002). They arranged essay and debate competitions among school, college and university students. They have conducted advocacy programmes on primary education and health service report cards. They have arranged a number of theatre shows in different locations within CCC areas. They have arranged workshops and seminars on corruption and governance issues. They have also arranged rallies on different occasions such as the World Environment Day.

1.4 Advice and Information Center:

TIB has opened its first Advice and Information Center (AIC) in Mymensingh. People from different walks of life are coming to the AIC for getting advice and information. TIB is trying to increase the number of fact sheets. TIB has also published a leaflet to publicize the existence of AIC to the citizens of Mymensingh. TIB has also conducted a need assessment study to identify citizen's needs. TIB is trying to increase the number of fact sheets on the basis of the need assessment study. To give information to the people, TIB has already prepared 40 fact sheets on different kinds of services provided by government and NGOs.

1.5 National Integrity Workshops:

The fourth component of the National Integrity Program is the holding of National Integrity Workshops based on the experiences of the first three components. The NIP team has conducted the National Integrity Workshop in this quarter.

CHAPTER TWO

FACT-FINDING EXERCISE

TIB has completed the FFE on the three watchdog agencies and has released the findings through a National Integrity Workshop. TIB has proposed some recommendations to strengthen the role of PAC and C & AG. The participants also suggested some new recommendations. TIB also presented a new anti-corruption commission through the NIW. TIB is now preparing a draft bill for the proposed structure.

CHAPTER THREE

COMMITTEES OF CONCERNED CITIZENS

3.1 Introduction:

All CCCs have conducted a number of activities in this quarter (July-September, 2002). They have arranged essay and debate competitions among school, college and university students. They have conducted advocacy programmes on the report card on primary education and health service. They have arranged a number of theatre shows in different places in CCC areas. They have arranged workshops and seminars on corruption and governance issues. They have also arranged rallies, for example, the World Environment Day.

3.2 List of activities carried out by CCCs :

The following is a summary description of the CCC activities carried out in the 3rd quarter of 2002.

3.2.1 Mymensingh Sadar CCC:

Mymensingh CCC has carried out a number of activities in this quarter. They have conducted advocacy meeting with the report card on primary education. They have arranged a workshop on the 'report card' survey on health services. They met with the civil surgeon of Mymensingh. They have participated in a rally against dengue fever organized by district administration. They have also arranged debate competitions among school and universities students. The following shows the summary activities carried out by Mymensingh CCC:

(a) Meeting with Civil Surgeon of Mymensingh:

Mymensingh and Muktagacha CCC members met with the Mymensingh Civil Surgeon Dr. Md. Akber Ali on 21st August, 2002 regarding the 'report card' survey on health services. The Civil Surgeon appreciated CCC activities on health sector. Mymensingh CCC member Advocate Anisur Rahman Khan was present in the meeting. The CCC members have suggested public notice board for public awareness, a complaint box, a list of doctors and a list of available medicine in the hospital. The Civil Surgeon informed CCC members that he would take initiatives for the implementation of CCC's suggestions.

(b) Meeting with Additional District Commissioner (ADC), Mymensingh:

Mymensingh CCC members met with the Additional District Commissioner (Education) Md. Abu Bakar Siddique on 25th August, 2002 regarding the 'report card' survey on primary education. Mymensingh CCC member Md. Niamul Kabir Sajal and Field Assistant Karuna Kishore Charaborti were present at the meeting. CCC requested the ADC to cooperate with CCC in curbing corruption from the education sector.

(c) Rally on Dengue Fever:

Mymensingh CCC attended a rally against dengue fever on 26th August, 2002 organized by Mymensingh Civil Surgeon office. The main objective of the rally was to create awareness among public on dengue fever.

(d) Debate competition:

Mymensingh CCC has organized a month-long debate competition which started from 11th September, 2002 in Mymensingh. A number of schools, colleges and universities participated in the debate competitions. The subject of the debate competitions were on corruption and governance issues.

(e) Workshop on 'report card' on Health Services:

Mymensingh CCC organized a workshop on the report card on health services on 28th September, 2002. Representatives from different segments of the society attended the workshop. The objective of the workshop was to prepare recommendations on how to improve health services in government hospitals.

Below is the list of activities of Mymensingh CCC (inclusive of past and present ones)

List of activities	Target for 3rd Quarter	Completed in the 3rd quarter	If any deviation, reasons for deviation
1. Advocacy with Report Card on Corruption in Primary Education.	To be continued	Continued	No deviation
2. Advocacy with Report Card on Health Services	To be continued	Continued	No deviation
3. Student Affairs Activities: Essay and Debate Competition	To be continued	Continued	No deviation
4. Peoples' Theatre Show	To be continued	Not continued	No deviation
5. Conduct Report Card Survey on Mismanagement in Land Administration	To be continued	Not continued	Due to lack of resources, the report card survey couldn't be continued.
6. Volunteers' Group mobilization	To be continued	Continued	No deviation
7. Citizens' meeting with Public Representatives and Concerned People at the Union and Ward Levels.	To be continued	Not continued	CCC decided to conduct citizens, meeting in the next quarter due to flood in the local area.
8. Advocacy on Municipal Services and Environment	To be continued	Not continued	CCC decided to conduct report card on municipal services in the next quarter (October-December, 2002).
9. Dissemination of Information through AIC	To be continued	Continued	No deviation
10. Study Circle for CCC Members and Volunteers	To be continued	Not Continued	TIB decided to form study circle with the help of NDI in the second phase of NIP.

3.2.2 Muktagacha CCC:

Muktagacha CCC carried out a number of activities during this quarter (July-September, 2002). They have conducted advocacy meeting with the 'report card' on health services. They have organized debate competitions among school and college students. They have also organized a workshop on the people's theatre group. Below is a summary of some activities of Muktagacha CCC:

(a) Meeting with Civil Surgeon of Mymensingh:

Muktagacha CCC members met with the Mymensingh Civil Surgeon Dr. Md. Akber Ali on 21st August, 2002 regarding the report card survey on health services. The Civil Surgeon appreciated CCC activities on health sector. Muktagacha CCC convener Advocate Shamsul Hoque was present at the meeting. The CCC members have suggested a public notice board for public awareness, a complaint box, a list of doctors and a list of available medicine in the hospital. The Civil Surgeon informed CCC members that he would take initiatives for the implementation of CCC's suggestions.

(b) Advocacy Program on Report Card on Health Services:

The Muktagacha CCC members met with the Upazilla Health and Family Planning Officer (UHFPO) on 29th July, 2002. Muktagacha CCC convener advocate Shamsul Hoque, CCC member A.K.M. Mahbubur Rahman (Bulbul), Selima Begum Baby and CCC secretary attended the meeting. They handed over the report card on health services for their feedback. He agreed with most of the findings of the survey. CCC members asked the UHFPO to co-operate in order to curb corruption in the health complex.

(c) Condolence Meeting:

Muktagacha CCC organized a condolence meeting on the death of Mr. Debashish Achariya Chowdhury, a CCC member on 9th August, 2002 in Muktagacha. TIB Executive Director, CCC Convener, other CCC members and a number of local professionals attended the meeting.

(d) "Let the Argument of Debate Enlighten the Horizon of Morality":

Muktagacha has organized debate competitions among different schools, colleges and university students, which started from 5th September, 2002 in Muktagacha.. The main theme of the debate competitions was "Let the Argument of Debate Enlighten the Horizon of Morality". A number of schools and colleges attended the debate competitions. The subjects of the debate competitions were on corruption and governance issues.

(e) Workshop on Peoples' Theatre:

TIB and Muktagacha CCC have organized a ten-day workshop on theatre in Muktagacha between 25th September and 4th October, 2002. Twenty participants from Muktagacha attended the workshop. The first premier show will be held in Muktagacha on 4th October, 2002. The name of the production is "Caricature of Corruption".

Below is the list of activities of Muktagacha CCC (inclusive of past and present ones)

List of activities	Target for 3rd Quarter	Completed in the 3rd quarter	If any deviation, reasons for deviation
1. Seminar on Corruption and Governance	To be continued	Not Continued	CCC decided to arrange a seminar in the next quarter due to death of an active CCC member
2. Advocacy with Report Card on Corruption in Primary education	To be continued	Not continued	Due to lack of cooperation of local education authority.
3. Advocacy with Report Card on Corruption in Upazilla Health Complexes/Hospitals	To be continued	Continued	No deviation
4. Student Affairs' Activities: Essay and Debate Competition	To be continued	Continued	No deviation
5. Formation of Peoples' Theatre Group	To be continued	Continued	No deviation
6. Peoples' Theatre Show	To be continued	Continued	No deviation
7. Conduct Report Card Survey on Mismanagement in Land Administration	To be continued	Not continued	Due to lack of resources, the report card survey couldn't be continued
8. Volunteers' Group mobilization	To be continued	Continued	No deviation
9. Citizens' meeting with Public Representatives and Concerned People at the Union and Ward Levels	To be continued	Not continued	Due to lack of cooperation for local union parishad chairman and members
10. Advocacy on Municipal Services and Environment	To be continued	Not continued	Due to other engagement of CCC members, this activity couldn't be undertaken
11. Observe a Cleaning Day Focusing on Municipal Services	To be continued	Not continued	Do
12. Dissemination of information through AIC	To be continued	Continued	No deviation
13. Study Circle for CCC Members and Volunteers	To be continued	Continued	No deviation
14. Monitoring of 'Food for Work Programme'	To be continued	Not continued	The government hasn't started the FWP
15. Advocacy on Mismanagement in Rural Electrification	To be continued	Not continued	CCC is trying to conduct a report card survey on this issue

3.2.3 Nalitabari CCC:

Nalitabari CCC has carried out a number of activities in this quarter. They have arranged a networking meeting in Nalitabari. They have organized a workshop on mobile theatre. They have conducted advocacy meeting on the report card on primary education. They have also organized debate competition among school and college students. Below is a summary of some of the activities of Nalitabari CCC:

(a) Networking meeting:

Nalitabari CCC organized a networking meeting with other NGOs, government officers and civil society. Nalitabari CCC members asked other NGOs, government officials and civil society to help in curbing corruption from Nalitabari.

(b) Advocacy meeting on report card on primary education:

A number of leaders of the association attended the meeting. Nalitabari CCC Convener M. A. Hakam Hira, TIB Program Officer, CCC Secretary, and other members of the CCC participated in the meeting. The leaders of the association agreed with most of the findings of the report and they agreed to implement some of the recommendations put forward by the CCC.

(c) Workshop on Peoples Theatre:

TIB and Nalitabari CCC organized a workshop on theatre in Nalitabari between 9th August and 18th August, 2002. Twenty five participants from Nalitabari attended the workshop. The first premier show was held in Nalitabari on 19th August, 2002. The name of the drama is "Rukkhe Darau" (Resistance). More than a thousand people were present in the first show.

(d) Essay and Debate Competition on Corruption and Governance Issues:

Nalitabari CCC organized essay and debate competition among school students in Nalitabari from 24-29 August, 2002. A number of schools participated in the competition. The main theme of the debate competitions was "**Let the Argument of Debate Enlighten the Horizon of Morality**". A number of schools and colleges attended in the debate competitions. The subjects of the debate competitions were corruption and governance.

(e) Prize Giving for Essay and Debate Competition:

Nalitabari CCC arranged a prize giving ceremony among the winners of the essay and debate competition on 27th September, 2002. Alhaj Zahid Ali Chowdhury, the Whip of the National Parliament was present as the chief guest. TIB Executive Director Manzoor Hasan attended the prize giving ceremony. Mr. Chowdhury appreciated the work of TIB in his constituency. He pledged his full support to its future activities. Speaking before a packed audience in Nalitabari Pilot Girls' High School, he vowed to bring transparency and accountability in his constituency. The Executive Director of TIB, Mr. Manzoor Hasan asked everyone not to be discouraged and to work together to build a corruption free Bangladesh. He cited the glowing examples of Hong Kong and Singapore in this regard. Following his speech, books and certificates were distributed to the winners.

(f) Citizens' meeting:

CCC Nalitabari arranged a citizens' meeting in the Missionary School at Kakarkandi Union in Nalitabari on 20th September 2002. Mr. Afaz Uddin Talukder of Kakarkandi Union presided over the meeting. About 50 participants including Mr. Najimuddin, Chairman of Kakarkandi Union and

member, CCC Nalitabari, UP members (including 3 female members), Chowkidars and Dafaders (village polices), teachers, advocates, doctors and local elites of that Union were present in the meeting. Mr. M. A. Hakam Hira, Convenor of CCC, Kiron Dutta, Samedul Islam, Zahidul Islam Zahid, Mahfuzur Rahman and Kohinoor Ruma, the CCC members, Samapika Halder, Assistant Programme Officer of TIB were present at that meeting.

CCC members discussed the initiatives by CCC (particularly Nalitabari CCC) and TIB, costs and cures of corruption and citizens' role in establishing good governance in local government. Assistant Programme Officer of TIB focused on duties and responsibilities of a Union Council, UP Chairman, members and village polices. All discussants invited the citizens to raise their voice against corruption, and undertake the duties as 'owners' of the state.

Below is the list activities of Nalitabari CCC (inclusive of past and present ones)

List of Activities	Target for 3rd Quarter	Completed in the 3rd quarter	If deviation, any reasons for deviation
1. Advocacy with Report Card on Corruption in Primary education	To be continued	Continued	<i>No deviation</i>
2. Advocacy with Report Card on Corruption in Upazilla Health Complexes/Hospitals	To be continued	Continued	<i>No deviation</i>
3. Student Affairs' Activities: Essay and Debate Competition	To be continued	Continued	<i>No deviation</i>
4. Formation of Peoples' Theatre Group	To be continued	Continued	<i>No deviation</i>
5. Peoples' Theatre Show	To be continued	Continued	<i>No deviation</i>
6. Conduct Report Card Survey on Mismanagement in Land Administration	To be continued	Not continued	<i>See Mymensingh</i>
7. Volunteers' Group mobilization	To be continued	Continued	<i>No deviation</i>
8. Citizens' meeting with Public Representatives and Concerned People in the Union and Ward Level	To be continued	Continued	<i>No deviation</i>
9. Dissemination Information through AIC	To be continued	Continued	<i>No deviation</i>
10. Study Circle for CCC Members and Volunteers	<i>To be continued</i>	<i>Continued</i>	<i>No deviation</i>

3.2. 4 Madhupur CCC:

Madhupur CCC carried out a number of activities during this quarter. They organized debate competitions among school and college students, they conducted advocacy programme on the report card on health services, and they organized a number of networking meetings with different segments of the society. Below is a summary of some of the activities of Madhupur CCC:

(a) Debate competition:

Madhupur CCC has organized debate competitions on corruption and governance 2002 among college, school and madrasa students. A number of school, college and madrasa have attended the competitions.

(b) Report card on health services of Madhupur Upazilla Health Complex:

Madhupur CCC arranged a press conference on 26th August, 2002 on the report card on health services of Madhupur Upazilla Health Complex. A number of journalists of national and local dailies attended the press conference.

(c) Networking meeting:

Madhupur CCC organized a networking meeting with the association of the owners of Rickshaw-Van Owners Association, Bus-Track Owners Association and Labour Association of Bus-Track and Rickshaw -Van puller on 23rd September, 2002. They discussed on the cleanliness of the pourasava (municipality), traffic problems and services of the pourasava.

Madhupur CCC organized a networking meeting with the Upazilla Executive Officer, Assistant Deputy Commissioner and Deputy Commissioner on 25th September, 2002. Madhupur CCC briefed them about the activities of Madhupur CCC. They asked them to co-operate with the CCC in curbing corruption.

Madhupur CCC arranged another networking meeting with the elected representatives of the pourasava and other officials on 26th September, 2002. They discussed the services of the pourasava, and on the cleanliness of the urban area.

Below is the list of activities of Madhupur CCC (inclusive of past and present ones)

List of Activities	Target for 3rd Quarter	Completed in the 3rd quarter	If any deviation, reasons for deviation
1. Advocacy with Report Card on Corruption in Primary education	To be continued	Not Continued	The CCC was busy in other activities
2. Advocacy with Report Card on Corruption in Upazilla Health Complexes/Hospitals	To be continued	Continued	No deviation
3. Student Affairs' Activities: Essay and Debate Competition	To be continued	Continued	No deviation
4. Peoples' Theatre Show	To be continued	Continued	No deviation
5. Conduct Report Card Survey on Mismanagement in Land Administration	To be continued	Not Continued	See Mymensingh
6. Citizens' meeting with Public Representatives and Concerned People in the Union and Ward Level	To be continued	Not continued	CCC decided to conduct it in the next quarter
7. Observe a Cleaning Day Focusing on Municipal Services	To be continued	Not Continued	The CCC decided to do it in different way
8. Research on Forest Management	To be continued	Continued	No deviation
9. Create Islands of Integrity and Introduce Integrity Award	To be continued	Not Continued	The CCC decided to do it in the next phase
10. Report card on corruption in selecting text books by NCTB	To be continued	Not Continued	Due to time constraint, the CCC couldn't do it

3.2.5 Kishorganj CCC:

Kishorganj CCC carried out a number of activities during this quarter. They observed cleaning day, organized a seminar, met with the railway authority, had meeting the civil surgeon and released the report card on health services. Below is a summary of some of the activities of Kishoreganj CCC:

(a) Meeting with Railway authority:

Kishorganj CCC members met with the railway authority on 31st July, 2002. They asked the railway authority to improve the service provided by the Kishorganj railway.

(b) Meeting with Civil Surgeon:

Kishorganj CCC members met with Kishorganj Civil Surgeon A.B.M. Azizul Islam on 8th August, 2002 regarding the report card survey on health services. The Kishorganj CCC Convener Khurshed Uddin Bhuiyan, other CCC members and CCC secretary were present at the meeting. A number of doctors, nurses and staff were present on the occasion. CCC members highlighted the findings of the report card on health services of Kishorganj General Hospital. The Civil Surgeon and others doctors criticized the report, but they accepted CCC's main recommendations to improve the service of the hospital.

(c) Seminar on "Faults in Basic Education and Solution":

Kishorganj CCC organized a seminar on "Faults in Basic Education and Solution" on 22nd August 2002 held at the Kishorganj Press Club Auditorium. Professor Shafi Ahmed, Department of English, Jahangirnagar University, presented a key-note paper at the seminar entitled "'Faults in Basic Education and Solution". Mymensingh CCC member Professor Zatin Sarker was present as the chief discussant. Kishorganj District Commissioner Md. Mahafuzur Rahman was present as the special guest. The CCC Convener Khurshed Uddin Bhuiyan presided over the meeting. CCC member and former Member of Parliament Mr Shafiqul Islam and TIB Programme Officer Mr Ekram Hossain were the discussants of the paper. More than two hundred participants, from different segments of the society, participated in the meeting.

(d) The Report card on health services of Kishorganj General Hospital:

Kishorganj CCC arranged a press conference on 8th September, 2002 on the report card on health services of Kishorganj General Hospital. Kishorganj Civil Surgeon A.B.M. Azizul Islam attended the press conference. The Kishorganj CCC Convener Khurshed Uddin Bhuiyan, CCC member Dr. Deen Mohammad, TIB Programme Officer Ekram Hossain attended the press conference. A number of journalists of national and local dailies attended the press conference.

(e) Cleaning day:

Kishorganj CCC observed cleaning day to reduce dengue fever on 19th September, 2002 in Kishorganj. Kishorganj Deputy Commissioner Md. Mahfuzur Rahman inaugurated the cleaning day. Kishorganj Poursava Chairman Mr. Nurul Islam Nuru also spoke on the occasion. They also organized a rally on the same day. The main objective of the rally was to create awareness among public on dengue fever.

Below is the list of activities of Kishorganj CCC (inclusive of past and present ones)

List of Activities	Target for 3rd Quarter	Completed in the 3rd quarter	If any deviation, reasons for deviation
1. Seminar on Corruption and Governance	To be continued	Continued	No deviation
2. Advocacy with Report Card on Corruption in Pry. Edu.	To be continued	Continued	No deviation
3. Advocacy with Report Card on Corruption in Hospitals	To be continued	Continued	No deviation
4. Peoples Theatre Show	To be continued	Continued	The theatre group was engaged in other areas
5. Report Card Survey on Mismanagement in Land Administration	To be continued	Not Continued	See Mymensingh
6. Movement against drug addiction	To be continued	Continued	No deviation

3.2.6 Jamalpur CCC:

Jamalpur CCC has started their activities. Through a SWOC analysis, they have prepared a four month activity plan. They arranged an advocacy meeting on the report card on primary education. They also arranged press conference to release the report card on health services. Below is a summary of some of the activities of Jamalpur CCC:

(a) Advocacy meeting of the report card survey on Primary Education

Jamalpur CCC organized an advocacy meeting on the report card on primary education on 26th August, 2002 at the Jamalpur CCC office. Jamalpur Upazilla Primary Education Officer, TIB Programme Officer and a number of CCC members were present at the meeting. The Upazilla Primary Education Officer showed his support for TIB and CCC activities.

The Report card on health services of Jamalpur General Hospital

Jamalpur CCC arranged a press conference on 19th September, 2002 on the report card on health services of Jamalpur General Hospital. The Jamalpur CCC Convener Advocate Nazrul Islam, other CCC members, TIB Programme Officer Ekram Hossain attended the press conference. A number of journalists of national and local dailies attended the press conference.

Below is the list of activities of Jamalpur CCC (inclusive of past and present ones)

List of Activities	Target for 3rd Quarter	Completed in the 3rd quarter	<i>If any deviation, reasons for deviation</i>
1. Advocacy with Report Card on Corruption in Pry. Edu.	To be started	Started	<i>No deviation</i>
2. Advocacy with Report Card on Corruption in Hospitals	To be started	Started	<i>No deviation</i>
3. Report Card Survey on Mismanagement in Land Administration	To be started	Postponed	<i>See Mymensingh</i>
4. Student Affairs Activities: Essay and Debate Competition	To be started	Started	<i>No deviation</i>
5. Arrange a public meeting to introduce TIB and CCC	<i>To be arranged</i>	<i>Not arranged</i>	<i>The resource person couldn't give time</i>

CHAPTER FOUR

ADVICE AND INFORMATION CENTER

4.1 Introduction

A steady number of people are visiting the AIC for advice and information. TIB has also published a leaflet to publicize the service of AIC to the people. TIB has also conducted a need assessment study to identify people needs. TIB is trying to increase the number of fact sheets on the basis of the need assessment study. To give information to the people, TIB has already prepared 40 fact sheets on different services provided by the government and NGOs.

Need Assessment Study on the kinds of information citizens need

TIB has conducted a survey in six CCCs areas among 151 local people. Out of 151, the number of male was 129 and female was 22. The respondents were selected from different segments of the society and from different age and educational background. They were asked about the kinds of information they wanted to know. The respondents gave their views. The following table shows the kind of information they are interested in:

Law and Justice

1. Labor law
2. Labor court
3. Law on Human Rights
4. Law on child and women oppression
5. Lower court and Judge court
6. Judiciary system
7. Law on fishing
8. Law on NGO

Bank and Insurance

1. Bangladesh Bank
2. Islami Bank
3. Insurance Company
4. Rules for Credit from the bank

NGO

1. PROSHIKA
2. BRAC
3. Naro Pragati Sangsthaa
4. Red Cross
5. Amnesty International
6. RASA
7. FEMA
8. ASA
9. World Vision, Bangladesh
10. Grameen Bank
11. ADAB
12. Tamuzuddin Mazlish

Land administration

1. Rules and fees for mutation
2. Sub-registrar office
3. Tehsil office
4. Rules on land
5. Upazilla Land Office
6. Settlement office

Social Welfare Institutions

1. Kazi office
2. Population
3. Mosque
4. Rehabilitation
5. Women Rights

Recreation

1. Cinema
2. Recreation

Academy

1. Academy for Economic Research

Association

1. Labor Welfare Association
2. Farmers Welfare Association
3. Bangladesh-China Friendship Association
4. Bus-Truck Owners Association

Health Services

1. Ministry of health
2. Mymensingh Community Based Medical College and Hospital
3. Mymensingh Medical College and hospital
4. Non-government Nursing Home in Mymensingh
5. Durgapur Hospital
6. Dhobaura Health Complex
7. Upazilla Health Complex
8. Ibne Sina
9. ACI

United Nations and other International Agencies

1. UNDP
2. United Nations
3. Addresses of different Embassy
4. UNFP
5. IMF
6. G-8
7. NAM

Political Parties, Parliament and Government

1. Parliament
2. Prime Minister's Office
3. Political Parties

Communication

1. Mobile phone
2. Internet
3. Grameen phone
4. Raiter
5. Transport Tax for transport
6. Transport
7. Rickshaw license
8. Buying and selling of Computer

Local Government

1. Union Parishad
2. Citizens rights and responsibilities
3. Problems of Poursava (municipality)
4. License of Poursava (municipality)

Education

1. Admission in college
2. Admission in University
3. Education in other countries
4. Open University
5. Higher education
6. National University
7. Upazilla Education Office
8. District Education Office
9. Secondary and Higher Secondary Education Board
10. National Curriculum and Text Book Board
11. Institutions for disabled people
12. Female students' stipend
13. Gazette on education department
14. New education method
15. Publications institutions
16. Library
17. Education institutions

Trade and Business

1. Islamic trade
2. Local Confectionary Business
4. Professional norms
5. Trade license
6. Share market

Labour

1. Child labour
2. May Day
3. Ministry of Labour
4. Labour Rights
5. Labour law
6. Labour court

Other Government Services

1. Public Service Commission
2. Project Implementation Office
3. Withdrawn pension
4. Income tax
30. Narcotics Directorate
31. Law on Narcotics
32. UNO office
33. Rural Electrification Board (REB)

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| 5. Local autonomous government | 34. Local Government and Engineering Department |
| 6. BCS (Admin) | 35. Passport |
| 7. National Revenue board | 36. BFDC (Bang Film Development Corporation) |
| 8. Electricity | 37. Life Insurance (Gibon Bima) |
| 9. Telephone and Telegraph | 38. Post office |
| 10. Loan for youth development | 39. Court |
| 11. Thana Police Station | 40. District Statistics Office |
| 12. Women Directorate | 41. Office of the Fisheries |
| 13. Tax department | 42. Pisciculture |
| 14. Social Welfare department | 43. Bureau of Anti-Corruption |
| 15. Television | 44. Gas |
| 16. Ministry of Relief and Disaster | 45. Department of Environment |
| 17. Government Accounts Department | 46. Secretariat |
| 18. PDB | 47. Office of livestock |
| 19. Law Enforcing Agencies | 48. Thana |
| 20. Military | 49. Land office |
| 21. Office of the Assistant Forest Conservation | 50. Office of Roads and Highways |
| 22. Food management | 51. Bang Electricity Development Board |
| 23. Bangladesh Forest Department | 52. Traffic law |
| 24. Foreign policy | 53. Zilla Parishad |
| 25. Civil Aviation | 54. Department of Agriculture |
| 26. Public Works Department | 55. Land Registration office and tax |
| 27. Parjatan Corporation | 56. BRTC |
| 28. Public Health Project | 57. Fire service |
| 29. Youth Development Directorate | |

4.3 Report Card:

AIC is trying to help CCC to conduct survey on Rural Electrification Board and Madhupur Forest Management.

4.4 Parliament Watch:

AIC personnel are monitoring the parliament. The NIP team has prepared reports on the first three sessions of the 8th Parliament. The report was published through a press conference and got huge media coverage.

4.5 News Scan database:

The third news scan database report has been completed. The report will be released on 9th July, 2002.

4.6 National Corruption Survey:

The AIC personnel conducted a nationwide corruption survey which has been funded by TI-Secretariat. The report writing has been finished. TIB expects to release the report by the end of the year.

4.7 Training manual on report card survey:

TIB has developed a training manual on report card survey. TIB trained some NGOs activists by using the manual. TIB is trying to modify the manual.

4.8 Publicity of AIC:

TIB published a leaflet to publicize AIC to the general people. TIB is disseminating the leaflet among the general mass.

4.9 Summary of AIC activities for the third quarter of 2002:

Below is the list of activities of AIC (inclusive of past and present ones).

	Name of activities	Target in the third quarter 2002,	Completed in the third quarter 2002	Reasons for deviation
01.	Fact sheet on banking services	To be disseminated	Disseminating	No deviation
02.	Fact sheet on post office services	To be disseminated	Disseminating	No deviation
03.	Fact sheet on T & T services	To be disseminated	Disseminating	No deviation
04.	Fact sheet on NGOs services	To be disseminated	Disseminating	No deviation
05.	Fact sheet on police services	To be disseminated	Disseminating	No deviation
06.	Fact sheet on the services of lower court	To be disseminated	Disseminating	No deviation
07.	Fact sheet on the services of different kinds of educational institutions	To be disseminated	Disseminating	No deviation
08.	Fact sheet on government and non-government health services	To be disseminated	Disseminating	No deviation
09.	Fact sheet on the services of passport	To be disseminated	Disseminating	No deviation
10.	Fact sheet on the services of land administration	To be disseminated	Disseminating	No deviation
11.	Need Assessment study for AIC	To be conducted	Conducted	No deviation
12.	Preparation fact sheets on other government and non-government institutions	To be continued	Continued	No deviation
13.	News scan database	To be continued	Continued	No deviation
13.	Report card on health	To be released	Released	No deviation
14.	Report card on land administration	To be conducted	Not conducted	Lack of resources

CHAPTER FIVE

NATIONAL INTEGRITY WORKSHOPS

1.1 Introduction

Under NIP, TIB conducted a National Integrity Workshops and a number of workshops and seminars on corruption and governance issues. The following shows the proceedings of the seminar and workshops.

1.2 National Integrity Workshops

Two days National Integrity Workshop on the key integrity institutions of Bangladesh held on 21-22 September, 2002 in CIRDAP auditorium. The institutions are:

- ❑ The Office of the Comptroller and Auditor General (CAG) & the Standing Committee on Public Accounts
- ❑ The Structure of the proposed Bangladesh Anti-Corruption Commission (BACC)

- ❑ **The Office of the Comptroller and Auditor General (CAG) & the Standing Committee on Public Accounts**

The NIW was divided into three sessions. In the first day, there were two sessions. All of the sessions were presided by Professor Khan Sarwar Murshid, Chairman, Board of Trustees, TIB. The first and second session was held on the Office of the Comptroller and Auditor General (CAG) on 21st September, 2002. In the first session, the findings of the Fact-Finding Exercise on the CAG office and a working paper on the recommendations on how to strengthen of the office of CAG were presented by Professor Muzaffer Ahmad, member of the Trustee Board of TIB. A number of lawmakers, politicians, researchers, senior journalists and high government officials took part on the discussion. In the second session, the findings of the Fact-Finding Exercise on the PAC and a working paper on the recommendations on how to strengthen PAC were presented by Professor Muzaffer Ahmad.

Representatives from different segments of the society attended the workshop.

M. Hafizuddin, Chairman of Public Expenditure Commission and former advisor to the caretaker government, said it is not possible to audit all things of such a big administration. Dr Moinul Islam, former president of the Bangladesh Economic Association, said the nation should be informed about all overt and covert expenditures of defence sector. "If a country spends 63 per cent in unproductive sector, how will it provide education and healthcare services to people?" he questioned. Awami League lawmaker Col. Shawkat Ali said the parliament runs according to the wish of the ruling party and its leader. "The speaker of the house cannot function in constant fear of losing his job. There has already been a precedent of removing the president and it needs only a simple majority to remove the speaker." The chairman of the PAC in the seventh parliament SM Akram said, "Any case should be resolved in the court, not on the instruction from the Prime Minister's Office." Referring to absence of opposition party in the fifth and seventh parliament, Shudhangshu Shekhar Halder said, "We (political parties) cannot work in cooperation." On the other hand, BNP lawmaker Professor Shahidul Islam said there should be an understanding between the treasury and the opposition benches that any report related to corruption would be discussed in the House.

The proceeding of the workshop telecasted by Channel I and ATN Bangla on that day. The following day (22nd September, 2002) most of the national dailies made their lead stories on the workshop proceedings of the first day.

The Structure of the proposed Bangladesh Anti-Corruption Commission (BACC)

In the second day, the structure of the proposed Bangladesh Anti-Corruption Commission (BACC) was presented by Professor Muzaffer Ahmad. The workshop of the second day was also presided by Professor Khan Sarwar Murshid, Chairman, Board of Trustees, TIB.

Former Chief Advisor of the caretaker government Justice Habibur Rahman, former cabinet secretary Mujibul Haq, former law minister Abdul Matin Khasru, journalist A Z M Enayetullah Khan, former director general of the Bureau of Anti-Corruption M Badiuzzaman and Dr Asif Nazrul discussed about the proposed structure of the commission. It was proposed that the commission would have one chairman and two members. Besides, there will be a constitutional body which will suggest the appointment of the chairman and members of the commission. President of the Republic will appoint the chairman and members of the commission for a period of five years and in the light of the suggestion of the constitutional body, the working paper said.

Former chief of the caretaker government Justice Habibur Rahman is opposed to the formation of constitutional body in the proposed commission. Constitution should not be brought in or involved in each and everything, he opined. Former cabinet secretary Mr. Mujibul Haq expressed his disappointment at the proposal made by TIB on the formation of the commission. Mere change of name from bureau to commission would not solve the problem, Haq observed. He said with the establishment of rule of law and building up an honest administration by the elected government would help reduce corruption in the country.

The following day (23rd September, 2002) most of the national dailies made their lead stories on the workshop proceedings of the second day.

1.3 Workshop on the Report card on health services

Mymensingh CCC organized a workshop on the report card on health services on 28th September, 2002. Representatives from different segments of the society attended the workshop. The objective of the workshop was to prepare recommendations on how to improve health services in government hospitals.

1.4 Workshop on Mobile Theatre

Nalitabari CCC has formed a theatre group. The workshop on the theatre has started on 9th August, 2002. A number of local performers have attended the workshop.

1.5 Seminar on "Faults in Basic Education and Solution"

Kishorganj CCC organized a seminar on "Faults in Basic Education and Solution" on 22nd August 2002 in Kishorganj Press Club Auditorium. Professor Shafi Ahmed, Department of English, Jahangirnagar University, presented a key-note paper at the seminar entitled "'Faults in Basic Education and Solution". Mymensingh CCC member Professor Zatin Sarker was present as the chief discussant. Kishorganj District Commissioner Md. Mahafuzur Rahman was present as the special guest. The CCC Convener Khurshed Uddin Bhuiyan presided over the meeting. CCC member and former Member of the Parliament Mr Shafiqul Islam, TIB Programme Officer Mr Ekram Hossain were the discussants of the paper. More than two hundred participants from different segments of the society participated in the meeting.